FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT ON BILL NO. **S.1205**

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The Honorable Lawrence K. "Larry" Grooms, Chairman, Senate Agriculture and Natural

Resources Committee

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SUBJECT: Local Ordinances - Nuisance Suits Related to Agricultural Operations

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT ON FEDERAL & OTHER FUND EXPENDITURES:

\$0 (No additional expenditures or savings are expected)

BILL SUMMARY:

Senate Bill 1205 would amend various sections of the S. C. Code of Laws so as to provide that, with certain exceptions, local ordinances in conflict with state law or regulations governing an agricultural facility or operation are null and void. The Bill also further defines what constitutes an agricultural operation.

EXPLANATION OF IMPACT:

Department of Health & Environmental Control

The Department indicates that there would be no fiscal impact on the agency resulting from enactment of this Bill. Any new regulations that would have to be drafted could be written by existing staff.

Department of Agriculture

The Department reports that the provisions of this Bill will have no fiscal impact on the agency.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT IMPACT:

Enactment would have no direct impact on local expenditures.

SPECIAL NOTES:

None.

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